

Loatlands News

Issue 4 – Friday 27th September 2019

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Dates for your Diary

September

Monday 30th Y6 Kingswood Residential

October

Wednesday 9th Year 6 Health check

Monday 14th Flu immunisation YR - 6

Friday 18th Year 5/6 7 a side Football Competition (Named children)

Monday 21st Kurling Festival (Named children)

Monday 21st Pick and Mix Homework due in

Monday 21st Family open afternoon - 2.15pm

Tuesday 22nd Phase 2 play 6pm

Wednesday 23rd Phase 2 Play 2pm (Family Friendly)

Thursday 24th Phase 2 Play 2pm

Friday 25th Last day of term

November

Monday 4th Training Day

Tuesday 5th First day of term

Tuesday 5th Individual Class Photographs

Thursday 14th Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5pm & 6pm – 8pm

Friday 15th Year 3 Teddy's Bear Picnic (Information to follow)

Tuesday 19th Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm

December

Monday 2nd Year 6 Bikeability - Level 1

Tuesday 3rd Year 6 Bikeability – Level 2

Monday 9th Full Governing Board Meeting

Tuesday 10th Phase 1 Play 10am

Thursday 12th Phase 1 Play 2pm

Friday 20th Last Day of Term

January

Wednesday 8th Year 3 Ancient Greece day in the studio

Monday 13th Year 6 SATS Information Evening

Please note these dates may be subject to change.

Family Open afternoon – Monday 21st October

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our family open afternoon on Monday 21st October at 2,15pm until 3pm. There will be three school entrances open to ensure visitors are able to get into school without waiting in a long queue. If you are visiting a child in Reception/Year 1 first, please use the community entrance. If you are visiting a child in Year 2/3 first, please use the main office entrance. If you are visiting a child in Years 4/5/6 first, please enter via the green gate at the junior end of the building. Once inside school, you will be able to move freely between your children's classes at any time.

Due to Health & Safety reasons, pre-school children will not be allowed to this event



Harvest Parcels

As part of our Harvest celebrations we are asking if families could possibly donate a parcel box that can be delivered to an elderly member of the local community. The boxes normally contain dried and tinned grocery goods (no fruit, vegetables or other perishable goods please). Please could all boxes be brought in by Tuesday 1st October in readiness for our Harvest assembly. Children are welcome to include letters, pictures and photos inside the box but please try to include both names of the child as it makes it easier for thank you notices to be delivered to the correct children.

Key Stage 2 Break Time Snacks

As a healthy eating school, all break time snacks for KS2 should be a healthy snack i.e. fruit, dried fruit, cheese, carrot/cucumber sticks, tomatoes, etc. **No sweets, cakes/cake bars, biscuits, cereal bars or crisps are allowed.** We will also not be accepting 'Fruit Winders' or other processed fruit products as these are very high in sugar. Please note we are a **Nut Free School** so children should not be bringing nuts as a snack or any product that may contain nuts.



Year 6 House Captains

Congratulations to this year's House Captains

Earth	Jupiter	Saturn	Mars
Captains: <i>RJ and Katie</i>	Captains: <i>Charlize and Hayden</i>	Captains: <i>Sophie and Daniel</i>	Captains: <i>Libby and Jack</i>
Vice Captains: <i>Rose and Logan</i>	Vice Captains: <i>Jessica and George P</i>	Vice Captains: <i>George T and Olivia</i>	Vice Captains: <i>Gracie and Harry</i>

Flu Consent Forms

All children in years Reception up to Year 6 have been sent home with a letter offering them the chance to have the flu vaccination in school. The vaccination is free and recommended for young children, and will be given by a quick and simple spray up the nose. Please return the signed consent form by **Friday 4th October** so they can be forwarded to the School Nurses. The vaccination will take place on Monday 14th October. If we do not receive a signed consent form by this date, your child will not receive the vaccination.

Sickness and Diarrhoea

Please can we remind parents about the rules regarding sickness and diarrhoea. If your child is suffering with sickness or diarrhoea, they cannot return to school until 48 hours after the last bout. If your child is absent from school due to illness, please ring the school office and leave a message on the absence line everyday of your child's absence.

Year 3 - Teddy Bear's Picnic

Year 3 children will be having a Teddy Bears' Picnic on Tuesday 15th October as part of their topic 'Bears'. The children can bring a Teddy Bear into school on the day to take to the picnic, they will be making a healthy picnic in school.

Bikes and Scooters

To avoid accidents with other children or adults, children must dismount from bikes and scooters before entering the school gates and walk them to the racks provided.

Parent 'Stay and Read' Sessions – Autumn Term

Thank you to all the parents who attended our 'Stay and Read' sessions last year – they were a great success. The dates for the Autumn Term are as follows:

Reception and Key Stage 1		Key Stage 2	
Date	Class	Date	Class
Wednesday 6 th November	Year R: Rosen	Thursday 7 th November	Year 3: Rowling
Wednesday 13 th November	Year R: Donaldson	Thursday 14 th November	Year 3: Morpurgo
Wednesday 20 th November	Year 1: Jeffers	Thursday 21 st November	Year 4: Lewis
Wednesday 27 th November	Year 1: Ahlberg	Thursday 28 th November	Year 4: Cowell
Wednesday 4 th December	Year 2: Dahl	Thursday 5 th December	Year 5: Wilson
Wednesday 11 th December	Year 2: Milne	Thursday 12 th December	Year 5: Pullman
		Thursday 19 th December	Year 6: Austen

Each 'stay and read' session will begin at 9am and will finish at 9.25am. Pre-school aged children are welcome to come to the sessions – there will be a range of books and toys suitable for younger children.

If you wish to attend a 'stay and read' session then you just need to enter the school via the main entrance after dropping off your child/children as usual. The class whose turn it is will then make their way to the library after the register and meet you there for the 'stay and read' session.

Thank you for supporting reading for pleasure at Loatlands!

Classroom Grey Boxes

To cut down on the queues waiting at the office, can we please remind parents that there is a grey box outside of every year group where children can post any letters, forms or messages for the teacher. These are emptied every morning. All children in Years 1-6 are encouraged to be independent and post their own letters in these boxes leaving the office free to deal with any queries or payments. Messages can also be left with the member of staff on the gates each morning. Thank you.

Reception Tour Dates

We have a number of dates arranged for prospective parents to view our school. These are:

Wednesday 9th October at 7:00pm, Friday 18th October at 10:30am, Tuesday 22nd October at 2:00pm, Thursday 7th November at 10:30am and Monday 11th November at 2:00pm

Please call the school on 01536 506404 to book a place.



**Phone Home
Friday
Katie (Y6)**

Attendance Award

w/e 27th September

Well done to

Austen

class for

achieving 100% attendance

Letters sent Home

Year 2 and 3 – Play Performance

Years 3, 4 and 5 - Cross Country Event (named children)

Loatlands Governors

We are pleased to announce the Governing body has elected a new Chair and Vice Chair at the Full Governing Board meeting on Monday 23rd September

Chair of Governors - Mr Malcom Toovey

Being elected Chair of Governors at Loatlands is both daunting and exciting. Taking over from Tracy, who did so much for the school, is going to be a challenge but I aim to build on her numerous achievements whilst leading the Governing Body.

I always intended to try and keep involved in Education when I retired from teaching so was delighted to join the Governing Body at Loatlands in early 2018. I have very much enjoyed being part of this terrific school and look forward to working with the staff, pupils, parents and everyone else associated with the school in my role as Chair.



Vice Chair - Sara Adams

I became a governor January 2018 and I currently work as a lecturer of Initial Teacher Training in Primary Education. My areas of interest are inclusion, mental health and well-being. As Vice Chair I hope that I can use my skills and knowledge to support the school's aims and vision to continually enhance the educational provision for the whole school community.



2019 – 2020 Term dates

Term 1		
Term starts		Wednesday 4 September
Term ends		Friday 25 October
Term 2		
	Training Day	Monday 4 November
Term starts		Tuesday 5 November
Term ends		Friday 20 December
Term 3		
	Training Day	Friday 3 January 2020
Term starts		Monday 6 January 2020
Term ends		Thursday 13 February
	Training Day	Friday 14 February
Term 4		
Term starts		Monday 24 February
Term ends		Friday 3 April
Term 5		
Term starts		Monday 20 April
(Bank holiday		Friday 8 May)
Term ends		Friday 22 May
Term 6		
Term starts		Monday 1 June
Term ends		Friday 17 July

Loatlands Legends

Congratulations

To our super Legends runners, our staff and parent teams who completed a relay half marathon at East Carlton Park a couple of weekends ago.

We were also represented by some other parents who ran for another running team but they actually won! Super proud moments for such wonderful role models.



junior parkrun

On another running note, we have been invited to take part in the Desborough Park run schools trophy cup. The park run organisers will hold a competition on the first Sunday of every month (5th October) to see which school has the most participants on that day.

This is a community project run solely by volunteers. It would be fabulous if we could show our support and grow our legends ethos.

The run begins at 9 o'clock every Sunday, from Desborough Leisure Centre. Parents are welcome to run/walk around the 2km course with their children, alternatively parents you can cheer whilst your child runs around as there are lots of marshals to ensure safety.

Please log on to the junior park run website to get your free barcode which you must run around the course with so that you can get an official time.

We have a dedicated area on our sports board for the children to add their park run times, achievements, experiences and photographs...Happy running, Legends!

Multi-skills festival

We have started our Pathfinders Academy events this week, 18 of our new Year One children were invited to Montsaye Academy to show off their ball, balance, batting and agility skills. The children received immediate praise with stickers and once again were fabulously behaved. Thank you to the parents who brought their children and the teachers who gave up their time to run activities.

Mrs Johnson